

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6150
ANSWERED ON:27.04.2001
INTER-STATE MOVEMENT OF GOODS
GADDE RAMAMOHAN;SHIVAJI MANE

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether in a bid to streamline the inter-State movement of goods, the Union Government have recently decided to set up a High Powered Authority for settling disputes that arise in the course of inter-State trade;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to start functioning alongwith the details of its terms of reference and composition of the High Powered Authority?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI CHAUHAN)

(a), (b) & (c) : The Government has accorded approval for amending the Central Sales Tax Act, 1956 to provide for setting up of an authority to settle inter-State disputes in course of inter-State trade or commerce. The said authority to be known as 'Central Sales Tax Appellate Authority' shall consist of a Chairman and two Members. It will settle inter- State disputes falling under Section 6A read with Section 9 of the Central Sales Tax Act. The amendment Bill is still under finalisation.